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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

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Dear Sir:

This Interview Summary is provided as a result of a telephonic interview conducted on October 12, 2006, as discussed below.

Summary of Interview begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Applicant wishes to thank Examiner Smith and Examiner Evanisko for the telephonic interview on October 12, 2006.

Attendees, Date and Type of Interview

The interview was conducted via telephone on October 12, 2006. Examiners Smith and Evanisko and Applicant's counsel, Dr. Salima A. Merani and Andrew Kimmel, participated in the telephone interview.

Exhibits and/or Demonstrations

None.

Identification of Claims Discussed

Claim 11.

Identification of Prior Art Discussed

U.S. Patent No. 5,782,898 to Dahl, et al.

Proposed Amendments

Applicant will consider clarifying Claim 11 to state that the shielding layer is an electrical shielding layer and/or that a single conductor in the lead can independently communicate with more than one electrode.

Principal Arguments and Other Matters

Attendees discussed Claim 11 in view of Dahl. Applicants argued that the applied art does not teach or suggest electrical shielding or a single conductor that can independently communicate with more than one electrode.

Results of Interview

No agreement was reached. Applicant will submit an Amendment addressing the issues discussed with the Examiners Smith and Evanisko.